



It's been several months since the monthly serialization of Knights of the Zodiac ended. Now, as I assemble this final collection, filling in additional text and drawing or correcting errors and oversights in the art, all sorts of memories are hitting me.

This series truly has become an unforgettable highlight of my manga career. To everyone who had a hand in its creation... thank you!

Masami Kurumada-1990



Masami Kurumada made his manga debut in 1974 with **Sukeban Arashi** (Delinquent Storm), the story of the life of a teenage girl. His first big hit came in 1977 with the popular series **Ring ni Kakero** (Put It All in the Ring). In 1986, he truly hit it big when he created **Saint Seiya** (Knights of the Zodiac), which was first serialized in **Weekly Shonen Jump** magazine, then went on to span 28 volumes, 114 TV episodes, four movies and a video game!

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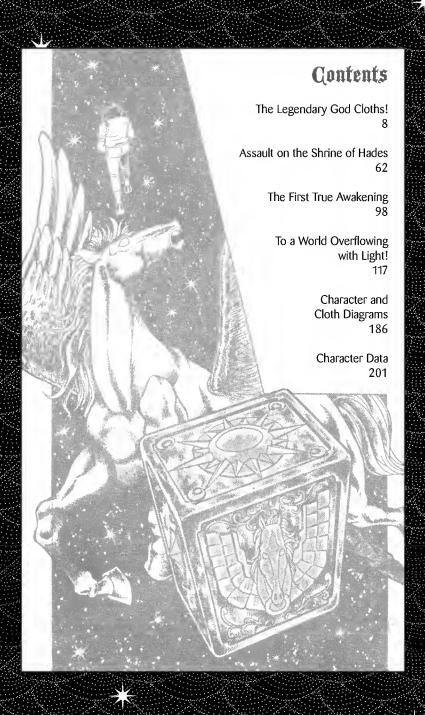
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MEN WHO PROTECTED THE GREEK GODDESS
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WERE SAID TO WIELD PUNCHES THAT CRACKED THE
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WARRIORS WITH THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR
PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF ATHENA,
LORD NOBU OF THE GRANDE FOUNDATION SENT
100 BOYS OUT INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS
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SHIRYÛ AND SHUN-SUCCEEDED BRILLIANTLY IN
THEIR TRAINING. IN BATTLES AGAINST THE
CORRUPT MASTER OF SANCTUARY AND THE SEA
GOD POSEIDON, THE LOVE AND JUSTICE OF ATHENA
AND HER KNIGHTS TRIUMPHED.

BUT THIS PEACE HAS BEEN FLEETING, AS HADES, THE GOD OF THE UNDERWORLD, HAS ARISEN TO INVADE THE EARTH WITH HIS ARMY OF SPECTERS. ATHENA PIERCES HER OWN THROAT AND DESCENDS TO THE UNDERWORLD TO BATTLE HADES. THE BATTLE BETWEEN ATHENA AND HADES MOVES TO ELYSIUM, BEYOND THE UNDERWORLD AND THE IMPASSABLE WALL OF LAMENTATION. WITH THE HELP OF THE GOLD KNIGHTS AND THE PROTECTION OF ATHENA'S BLOOD, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS ENTER ELYSIUM, ONLY TO MEET THANATOS AND HYPNOS, THE GREATEST WARRIORS OF HADES!!

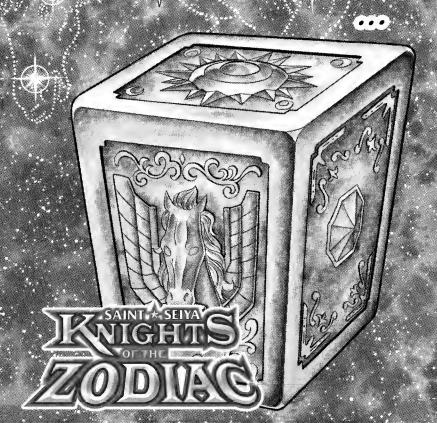


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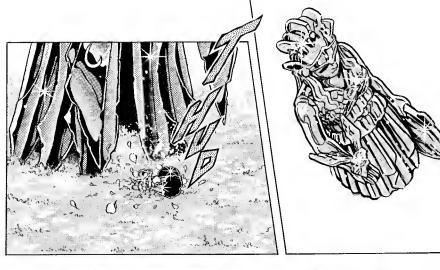










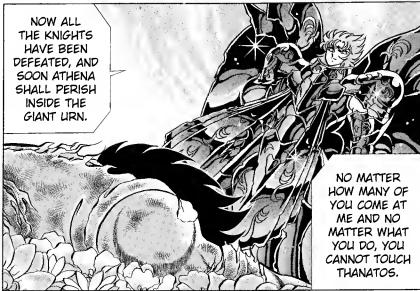


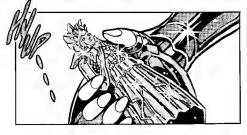
















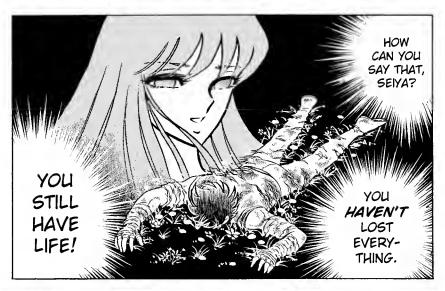






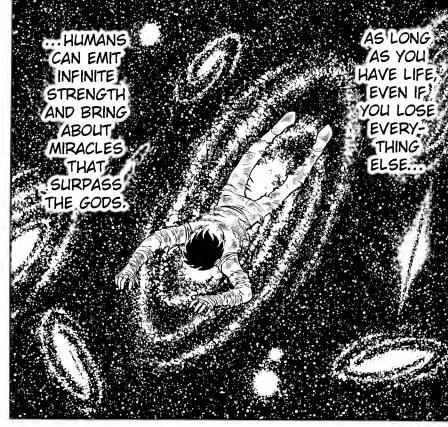
















































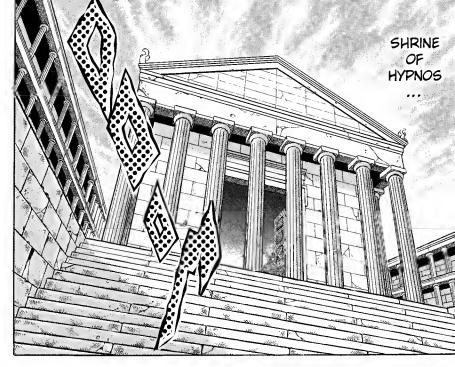












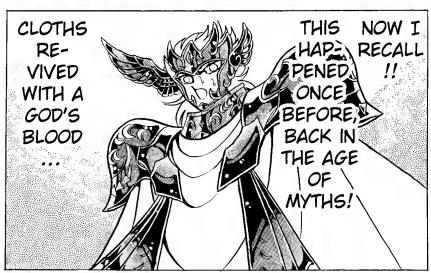




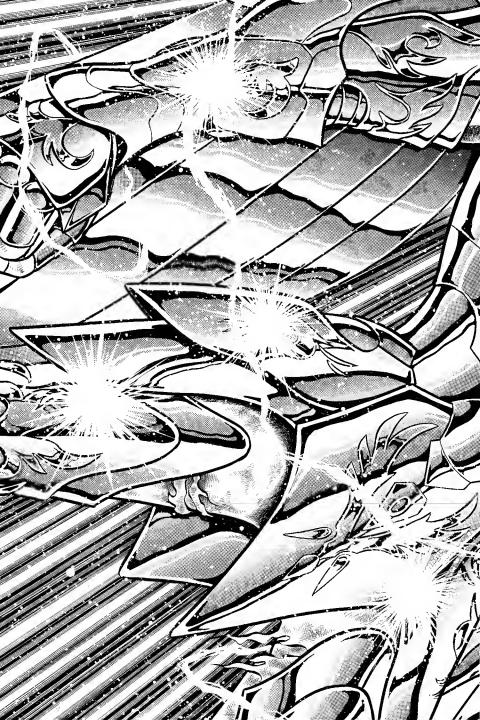




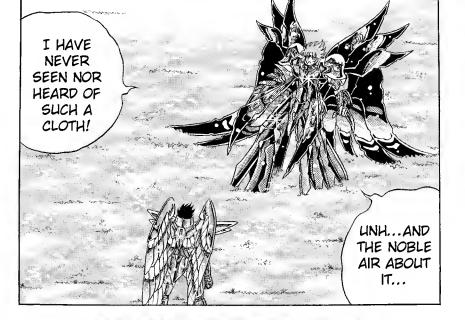


























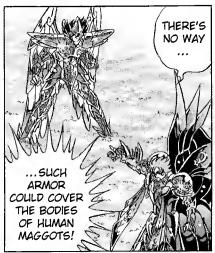














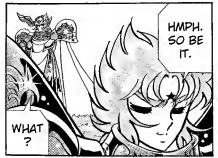




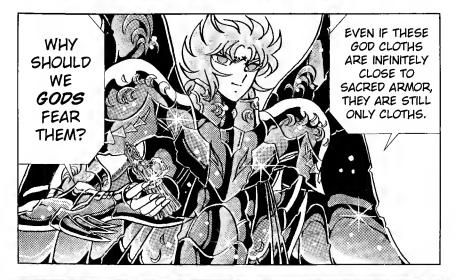










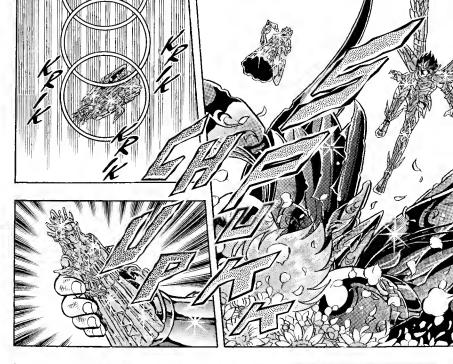






























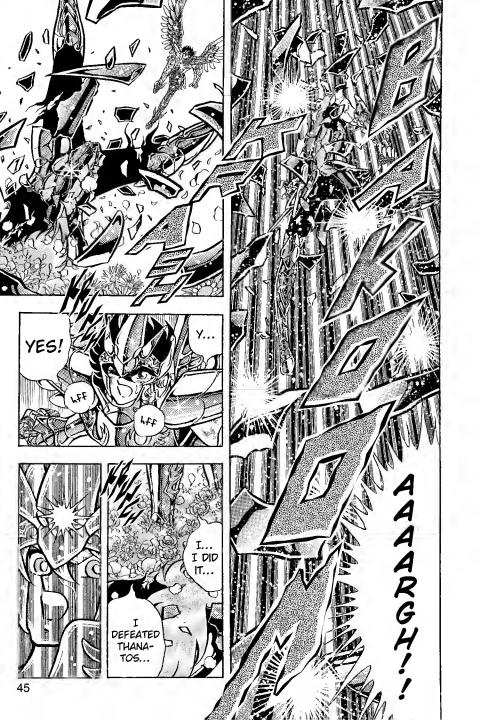
























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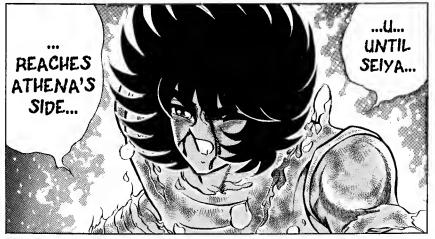








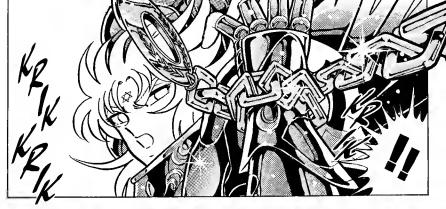


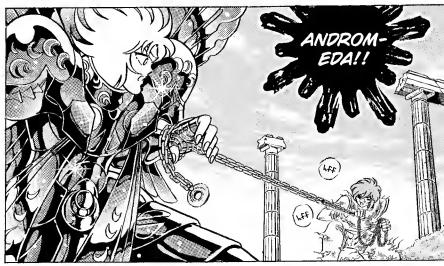






BIG BROTH-ER!!









































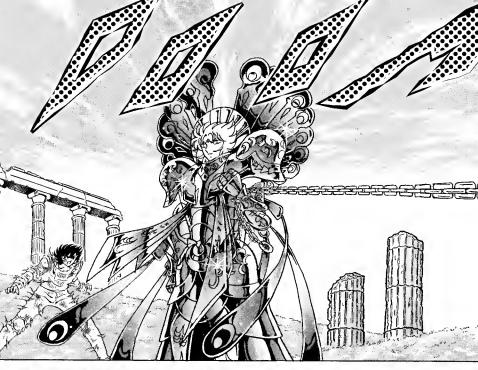






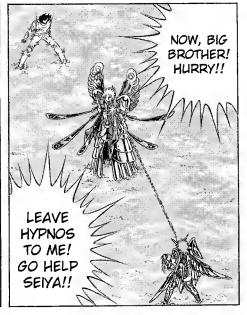


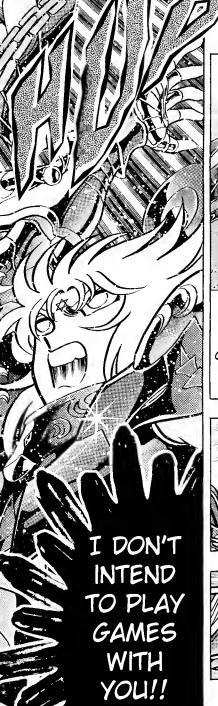












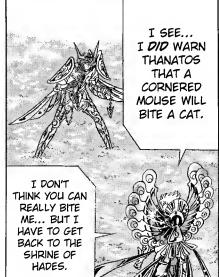
















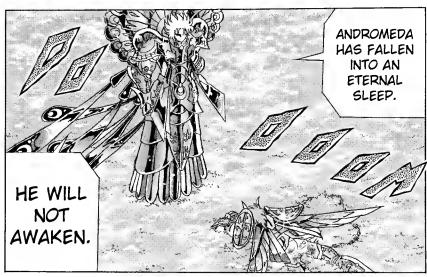






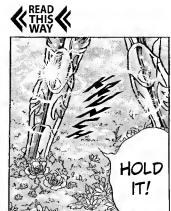












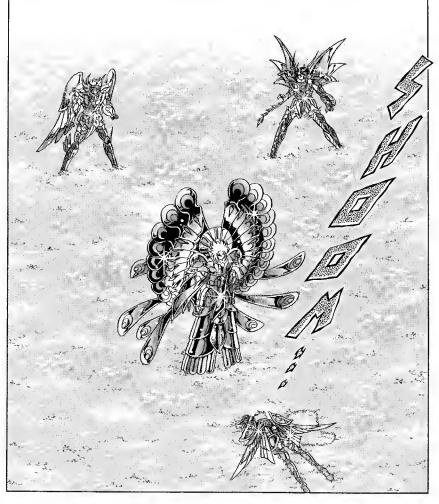


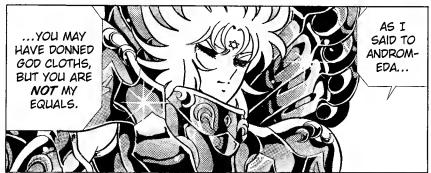
















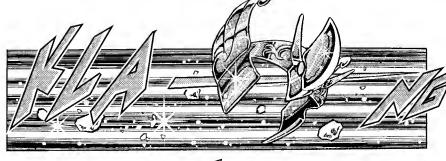


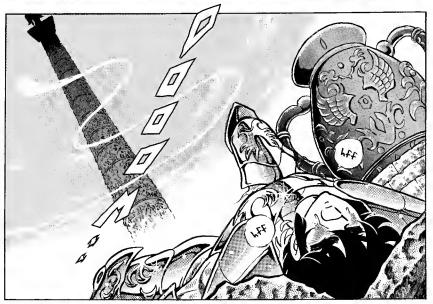


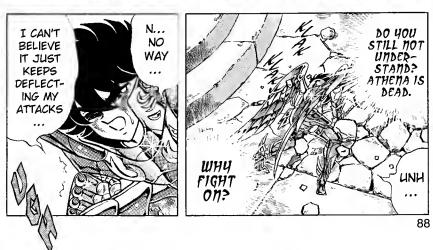




































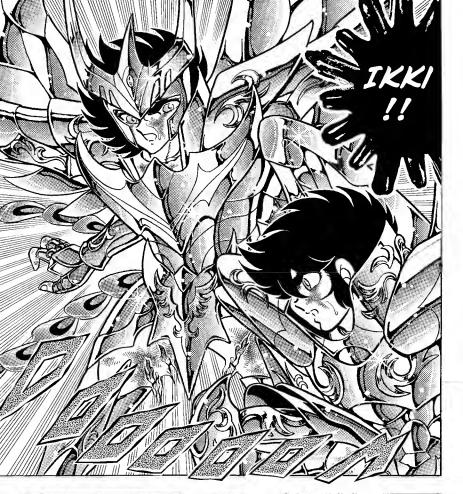




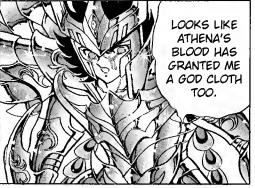


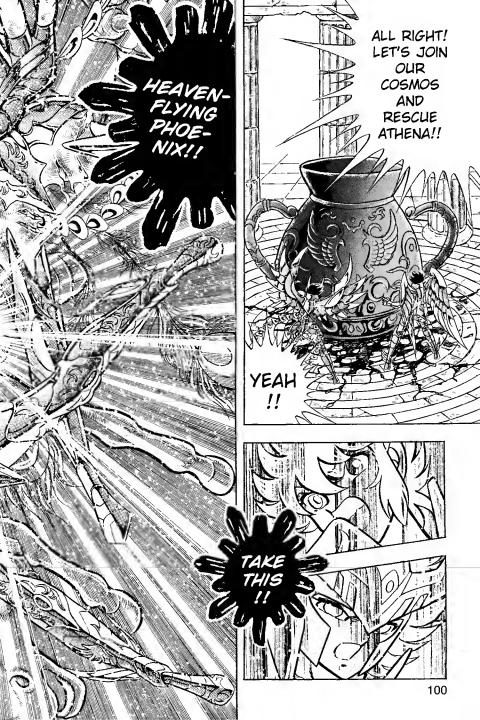




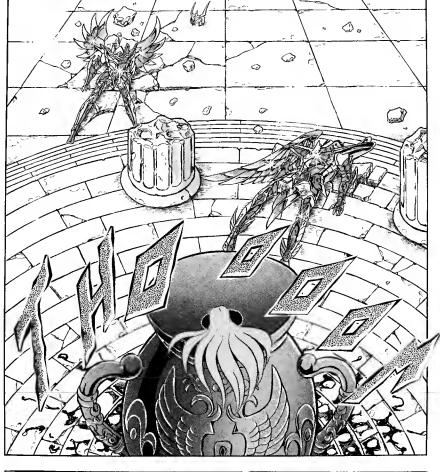








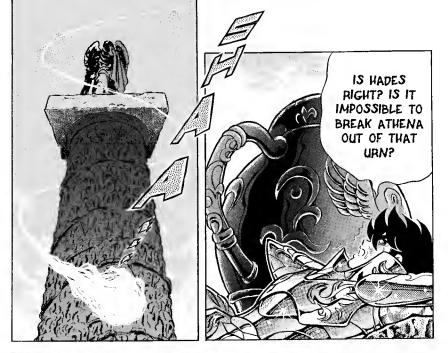




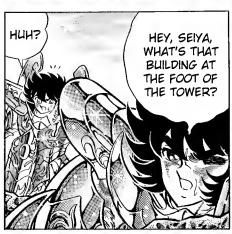






















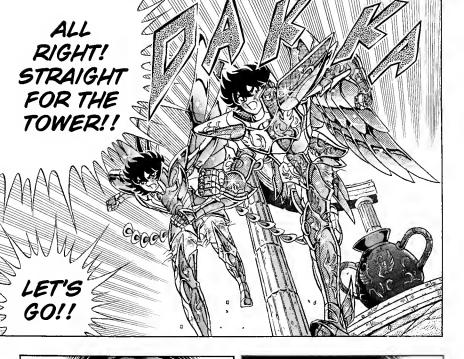








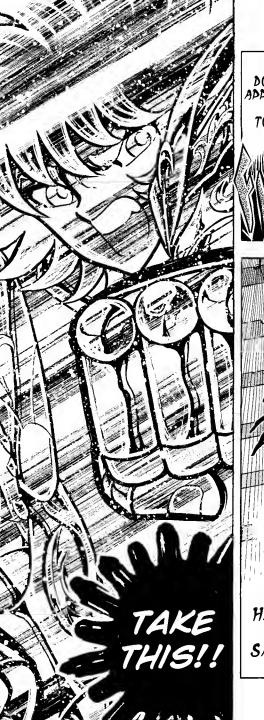


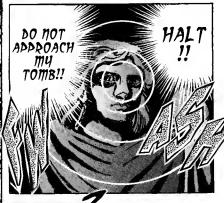






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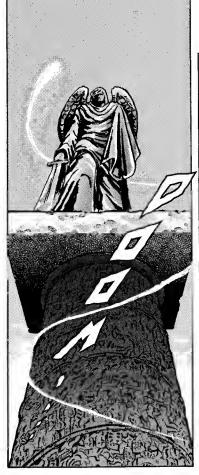






















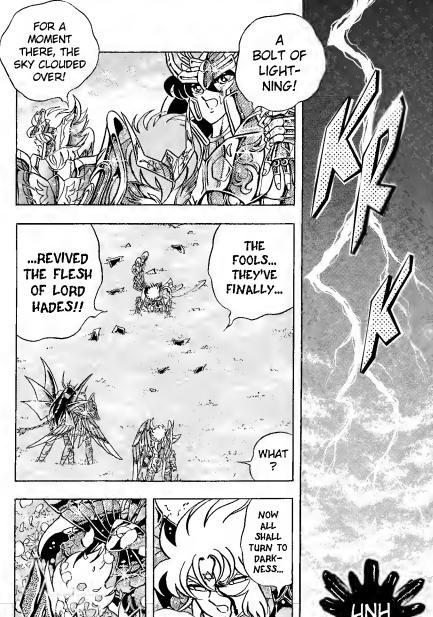










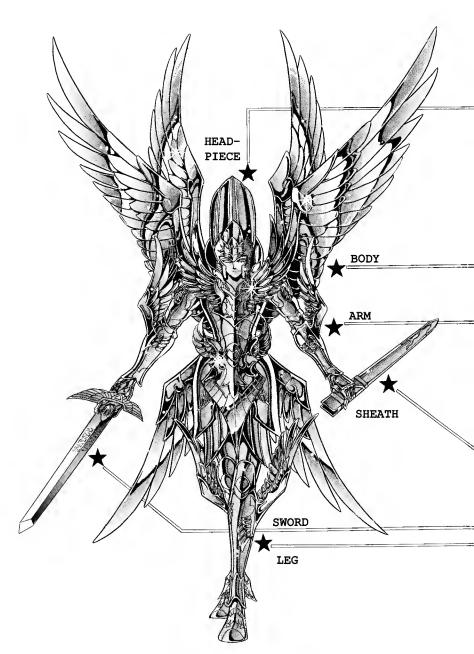




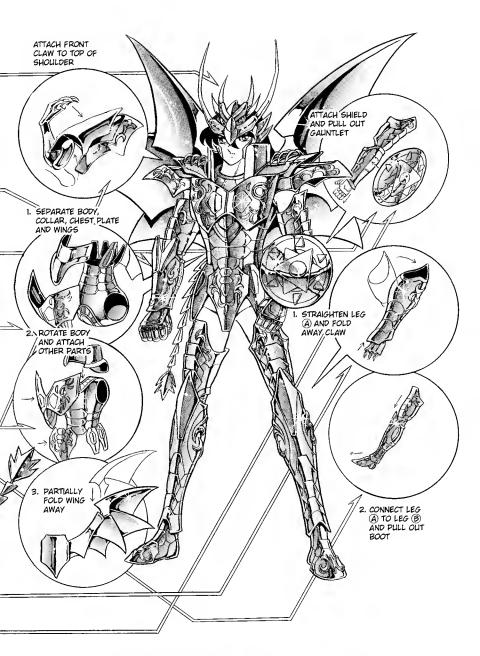




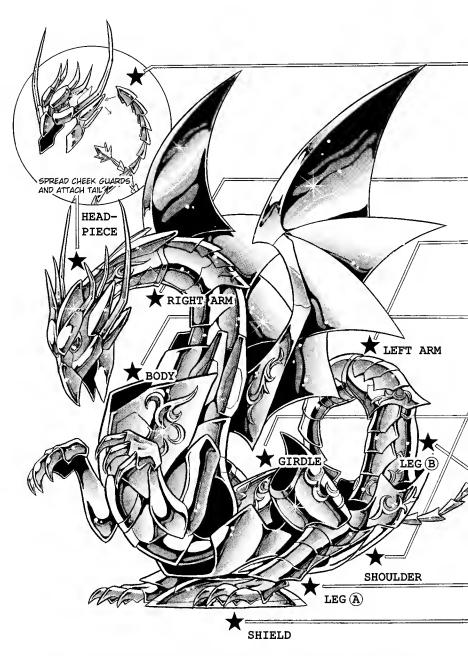
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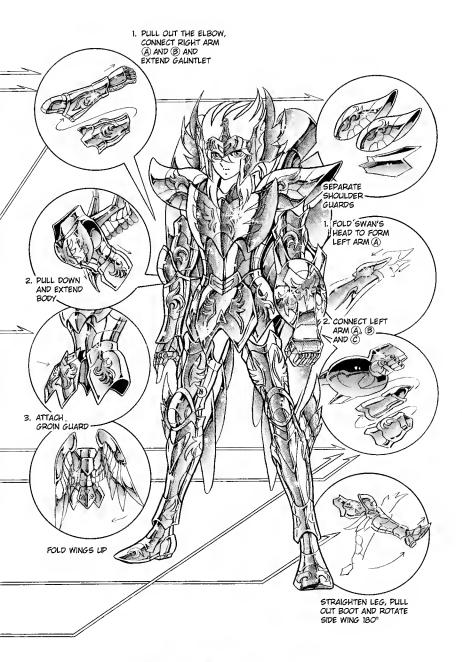
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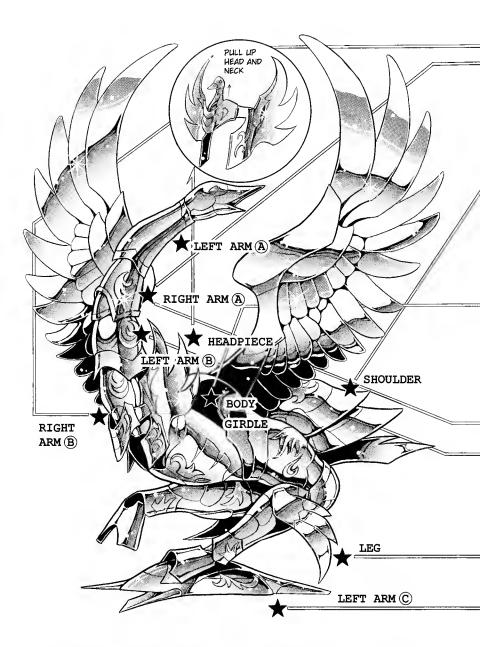
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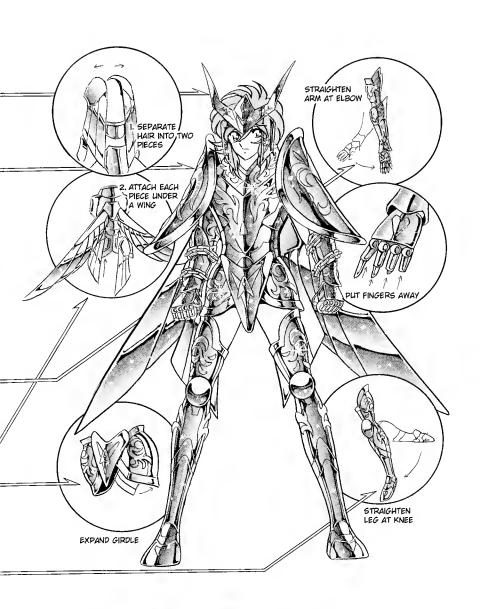
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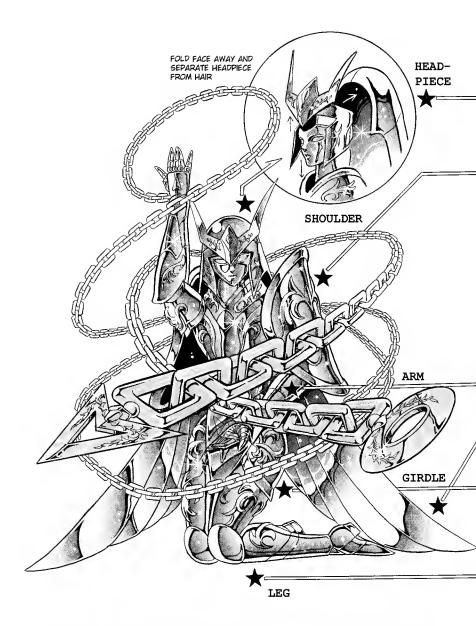
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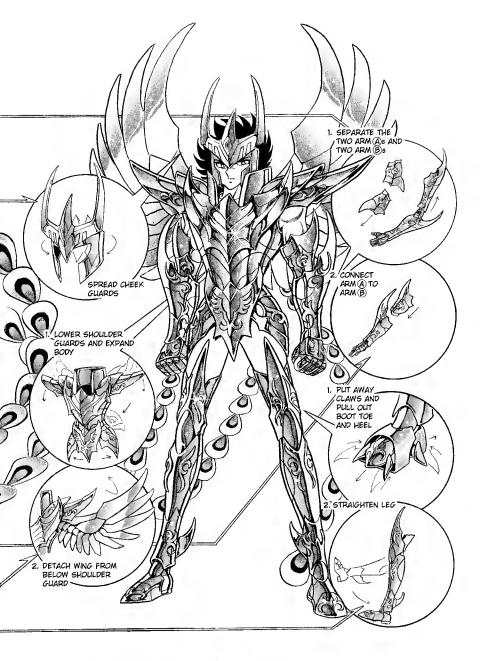
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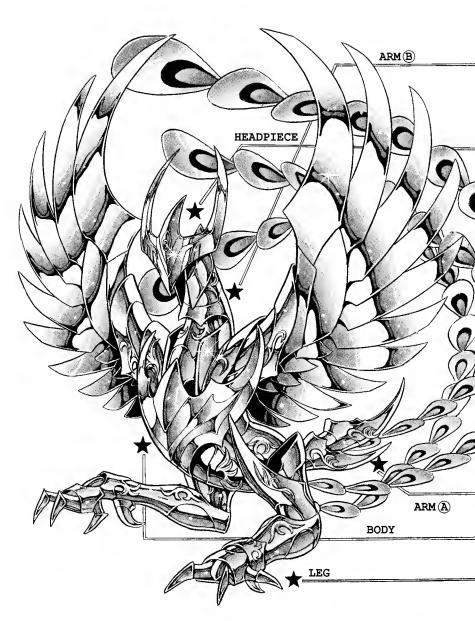
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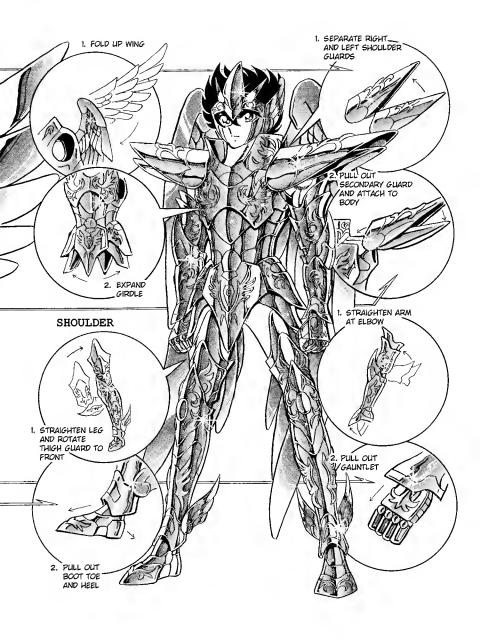
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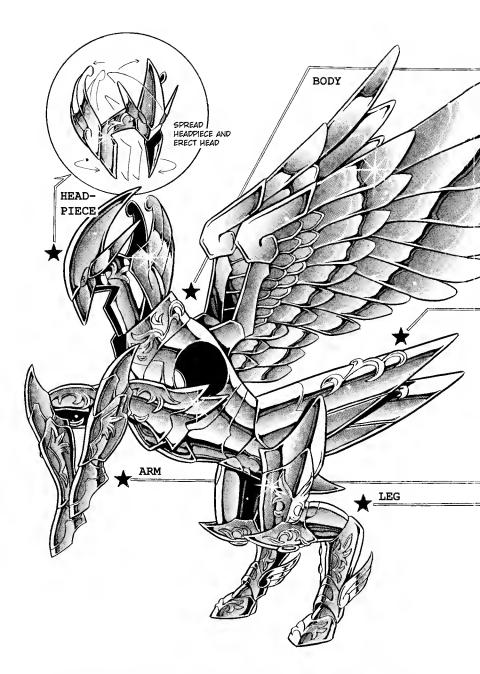
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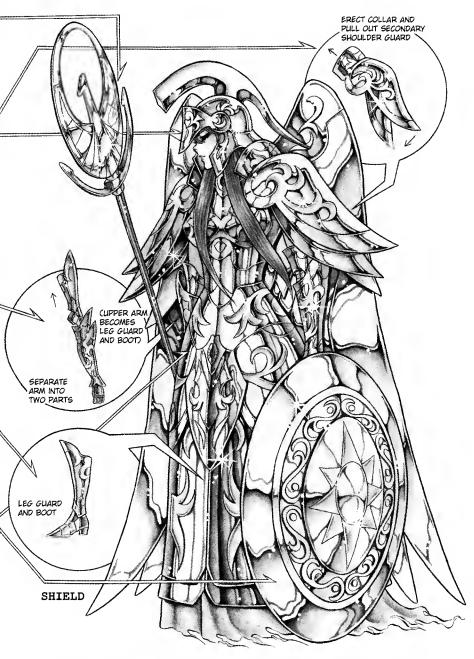
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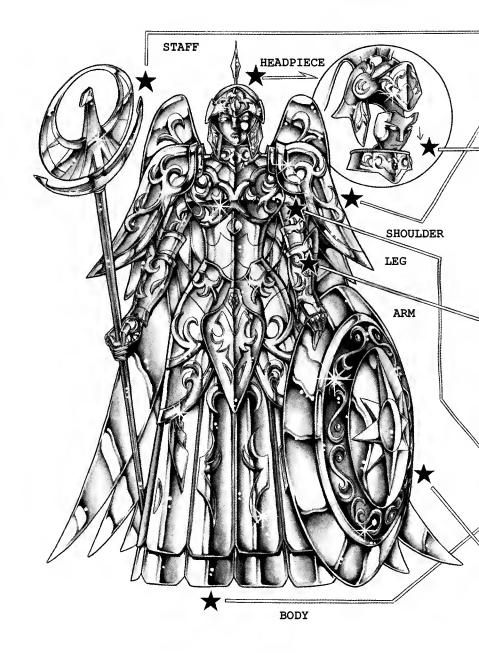
THE PEGASUS GOD CLOTH



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GOD CLOTH BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 6



ATHENA'S GOD CLOTH

THANKS to MY DEAR







THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE KNIGHTS

PERFECT EDITION-

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MARINERS

SEA GOD POSEIDON, A.K.A. JULIAN SOLO

Age: 16

Date of Birth: March 21

■ Height: 177cm (5'11")
■ Blood Type: O

Weight: 59kg (130 lbs)

Birthplace: Greece

(NOTES) Julian Solo was the heir of the maritime trade magnate House of Solo. When he learned he was the reincarnation of the sea god Poseidon, he attempted to destroy the human world.



MERMAID TETHYS

• Age: 15

Date of Birth: November 21

● Height: 165cm (5'6") ● Blood Type: O

Weight: 52kg (114 lbs)
 ■ Birthplace: Denmark

 Note: A female Mariner and Poseidon's aide. Awakened Julian to his identity as Poseidon and guided him to his underwater temple. Voluntarily donned her Scale for battle.



SEA HORSE BAIAN

• Age: 18

Date of Birth: May 7

◆Height: 181cm (6'0")◆ Blood Type: A

Weight: 78kg (172 lbs)
 ■ Birthplace: Canada

Ultimate moves: Rising Billows, God's Breath

 Note: The general who guards the North Pacific Pillar, Employs a defensive wall of compressed air.



SKYLLA 10

• Age: 17

Date of Birth: March 2

Height: 180cm (6'0")Blood Type: AB

Weight: 71kg (156 lbs)
 ■ Birthplace: Isla San Félix

 Ultimate moves: Big Tornado, Queen Bee's Stinger, Eagle Clutch, Serpent Strangler, Wolf's Fangs, Vampire Impale, Grizzly Slap

Note: The general who quards the South Pacific Pillar.



CHRYSAOR KRISHNA

Age: 19

Date of Birth: August 10

● Height: 187cm (6'3") ● Blood Type: B

Weight: 80kg (176 lbs)
 Birthplace: Ceylon

Ultimate moves: Flashing Lancer, Maha Roshni

 Note: The general who wields the Golden Lance and guards the Indian Ocean Pillar. Fights by awakening the stupendous power of his Kundalini, the cosmic energy within the body.



SIREN SORENTO

Age: 16

Date of Birth: September 10

Height: 178cm (5'11")Blood Type: A

Weight: 75kg (165 lbs)
 Birthplace: Austria

Ultimate moves: Dead End Symphony, Dead End Climax

 Note: The general who guards the South Atlantic Pillar. His flute plays a magical melody that steals the strength of his opponents.



LYMNADES KAASA

Age: 21

Date of Birth: August 19

◆Height: 168cm (5'7") ◆Blood Type: O

Weight: 49kg (108 lbs)
 Birthplace: Portugal

Ultimate moves: Salamander Shock

 Note: He can mimic the appearances and mannerisms of the people most precious to his opponent.



KRAKEN ISAAC

• Age: 14

Date of Birth: February 17

◆Height: 174cm (5'10") ◆Blood Type: B

 Weight: 60kg (132 lbs) ● Birthplace: Finland Ultimate moves: Aurora Borealis

 Note: The general who guards the Arctic Ocean Pillar. He was Hyôga's friend when they were both trained by Camus in eastern Siberia.



SEA DRAGON CANON

● Age: 28

Date of Birth: May 30

Height: 188cm (6'3")

Blood Type: AB

■ Weight: 87kg (191 lbs) ■ Birthplace: Greece

 Ultimate moves: Galaxian Explosion, Dimension of Exile, Golden Triangle

 Note: The general who guards the North Atlantic Pillar. He's really Gemini Canon, Saga's twin brother.



SPECTERS

HADES, GOD OF THE UNDERWORLD

- Age: Unknown (has existed since the age of myths)
- ◆ Height: 184cm (6'2") Blood Type: Unknown
- Weight: 73kg (161 lbs)
- Date of Birth: September 9 (The date he emerged on earth from the womb of Pandora's mother)
- NOTES He has cherished his physical body since the age of myths and keeps it in repose in Elysium.



PANDORA, OLDER SISTER OF HADES IN THIS WORLD



► Height: 166cm (5'6") ■ Blood Type: A

Weight: 52kg (114 lbs)

Birthplace: Thuringen, Germany

Defenses: Possesses a necklace that allows her

to move freely through the Underworld.

 Note: Revived Hypnos and Thanatos 13 years ago when she opened a box that Athena had sealed.

HYPNOS, GOD WHO PRESIDES OVER SLEEP



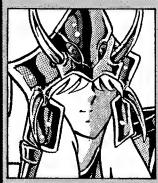
- Age: Unknown (has existed since the age of myths)
- ► Height: 192cm (6'5") Date of Birth: June 13
- Weight: 88kg (194 lbs) Blood Type: Unknown
- Ultimate Moves: Eternal Drowsiness
- Note: Was revived 13 years ago along with his twin brother Thanatos. Possesses golden hair and eyes.

THANATOS, GOD WHO PRESIDES OVER DEATH



- Age: Unknown (has existed since the age of myths)
- Height: 192cm (6′5″) Date of Birth: June 13
- Weight: 88kg (194 lbs) Blood Type: Unknown
- Ultimate Moves: Terrible Providence
- Note: Possesses silver hair and eyes. Together with Hypnos, has attended Hades since the age of myths.

CELESTIAL NOBLE STAR GRYPHON MINOS



■ Age: 23 ■ Date of Birth: March 25

Height: 184cm (6'2") ● Blood Type: A

Weight: 72kg (158 lbs)

Birthplace: Oslo, Norway

Ultimate moves: Cosmic Marionation

Note: One of the Three Generals of the Underworld and chief justice of the underworld court. Is torn apart when he chases Hyôga into super-dimensional space.

CELESTIAL HEROIC STAR GARUDA AIAKOS



Age: 22

Date of Birth: July 6

◆ Height: 186cm (6'2") ◆ Blood Type: B

■ Weight: 85kg (187 lbs) ■ Birthplace: Nepal

Ultimate Moves: Garuda Flap, Galactica Illusion

Note: One of the Three Generals of the Underworld, Falls to lkki in the 5th Prison.

CELESTIAL STALWART STAR WYVERN RHADAMANTHYS



● Age: 23 ■ Date of Birth: October 30

◆ Height: 189cm (6'4") ◆ Blood Type: O

Weight: 84kg (185 lbs)

Birthplace: Faroe Islands, Denmark

Ultimate moves: Greatest Caution

Note: One of the Three Generals of the Underworld, Is obliterated along with Canon in the 5th Prison.

CELESTIAL DEMON STAR ALRAUNE QUEEN



- Height: 171cm (5'8") Blood Type: B
- Weight: 56kg (123 lbs)
- ▶ Birthplace: Freiburg, Black Forest, Germany
- Ultimate moves: Black Flower Scissors
- Note: Felled along with Gordon by Shiryû in front of the Wall of Lamentation.

CELESTIAL GAOL STAR MINOTAUR GORDON



Age: 20

- Date of Birth: December 18
- Height: 188cm (6'3") Blood Type: B
- Weight: 95kg (209 lbs) Birthplace: Poland
- Ultimate Moves: Grand Axe Crusher
- Note: Destroys Shiryû's Excalibur but is defeated by Rozan's 100 Dragons Blow.

CELESTIAL VICTORY STAR BASILISK SYLPHIDE



- Age: 19
- Date of Birth: July 20
- ▶ Height: 181cm (6'0") Blood Type: O
- Weight: 78kg (172 lbs) Birthplace: Belgium
- Ultimate Moves: Annihilation Flap
- Note: Is torn apart after he chases the Bronze Knights into super-dimensional space.

CELESTIAL WAILING STAR HARPY VALENTINE



Age: 20

- Date of Birth: February 14
- ◆ Height: 182cm (6'1") ◆ Blood Type: AB
- Weight: 71kg (156 lbs)
 Birthplace: Cyprus
- Ultimate Moves: Greed of Life, Sweet Chocolate
- Note: Releases Selya from Cocytus to steal Athena's Cloth but is defeated.

CELESTIAL UNSIGHTLY STAR DEADLY BEETLE STAND



● Age: 22

- Date of Birth: April 18
- ◆ Height: 258cm (8'7")◆ Blood Type: B
- Weight: 240kg (528 lbs)
- Birthplace: Australia
- Ultimate moves: Big Wall, Stand By Me
- Note: Guardian of the 5th Prison, Is taken down by Canon. A giant even among the Specters.

CELESTIAL CRIME STAR LYCAON PHLEGYAS



Age: 21

- Date of Birth: September 18
- ► Height: 189cm (6'4") Blood Type: A
- Weight: 81kg (178 lbs)
- Birthplace: Orange River Basin, Republic of South Africa
- Ultimate moves: Howling Inferno
- Note: The crossing guard of the 4th Prison.

Manages to deal a blow to Hyôga and Shiryû but is defeated by Canon.

CELESTIAL DEFEAT STAR TROLL IVAN



- Age: 21 Date of Birth: August 30
- ◆ Height: 192cm (6'5") ◆ Blood Type: B
- Weight: 109kg (240 lbs)
- Birthplace: Evenki Indigenous Territory, Russia
- Ultimate moves: The Great Perestroika
- Note: Guardian of the 3rd Prison. Is taken down by Hvôga before he can even state his full name.

CELESTIAL ANGLE STAR GOLEM ROCK



- Age: 21
- ◆ Height: 195cm (6'6")
 ◆ Blood Type: A
- Weight: 114kg (251 lbs)
 Birthplace: Madagascar
- Ultimate Moves: Rolling Bomber Stone
- Note: Guardian of the 3rd Prison, Is defeated by a single blow from Shiryû.

CELESTIAL BEAST STAR SPHINX PHARAOH



Age: 18

Date of Birth: November 19

■ Date of Birth: June 17

- ◆ Height: 178cm (5'11") ◆ Blood Type: O
- Weight: 69kg (152 lbs)
 Birthplace: Egypt
- Ultimate Moves: Balance of Curse. Kiss in the Darkness.
- Note: Guardian of the 2nd Prison. Wields a magic harp but is defeated by master lyre player Orpheus.

CELESTIAL EMINENT STAR BALRON RENÉ



● Age: 20

- Date of Birth: December 24
- ●Height: 183cm (6'1") ●Blood Type: A
- Weight: 70kg (154 lbs) Birthplace: Norway
- Ultimate Moves: Fire Whip, Reincarnation
- Note: Fill-in for Minos at the court at the 1st. Prison. Is defeated by Canon.

CELESTIAL INTERVAL STAR ACHERON CHARON



- Age: 38
- Date of Birth: October 2
- ◆ Height: 183cm (6'1") ◆ Blood Type: O
- Weight: 65kg (143 lbs)
- Birthplace: Naples, Italy
- Ultimate moves: Rolling Oar, Eddying Current Crusher
- Note: Crossing guard of the River Acheron. A dead soul extremely focused on his payment.

EARTHLY FAERIE STAR PAPILLON MYÛ



Age: 19

- Date of Birth: Janary 27
- ► Height: 178cm (5'11") Blood Type: B.
- Weight: 65kg (143 lbs) Birthplace: Austria
- Ultimate Moves: Ugly Eruption, Silky Threads, etc.
- Note: Can evolve in response to his enemy's strength. Battles Mû in the Palace of the Giant Crab.



EARTHLY VIOLENT STAR CYCLOPS GIGANTO

- Age: 20
- Height: 197cm (6'7")
 Blood Type: 0
- Weight: 108kg (238 lbs)
 Birthplace: Yugoslavia

Date of Birth: March 13

Date of Birth: February 1

Blood Type: O

Blood Type: A

Date of Birth: February 21

- Ultimate Moves: Giant Hold, Big Knuckle
- Note: Believed that if one pledges fealty to Hades, one will be cranted eternal life even after death.



EARTHLY BIZARRE STAR FROG ZELOS

- Age: 34
- Height: 149cm (5'0")
- Weight: 55kg (121 lbs)
- Birthplace: Cambodia Ultimate Moves: Jumping Smash
- Note: Minor servant at Castle Hades. Borrows Pandora's authority to mock Rhadamanthys.



EARTHLY LOW-LYING STAR WORM RAIMI

- Age: 29
- Height: 176cm (5'10")
- Weight: 51kg (112 lbs)
- Birthplace: Laos
- Ultimate Moves: Worm's Bind, Roll Blood
- Note: Conceals himself in the earth, from where he launches his assaults, but is defeated by Alcria's Lightning Plasma.



EARTHLY GLOOM STAR DEEP NIOBE

- Age: 25
- Height: 181cm (6'0")
- Weight: 80kg (176 lbs)
- Date of Birth: August 3
- Blood Type: AB
- Birthplace: Bolivia
- Ultimate Moves: Deep Fragrance, Dead Perfume
- Note: Battles Mû in the Palace of the Golden Bull but is taken down by Aldebaran.



EARTHLY SHADOW STAR DULLAHAN CUBE

- Age: 24
- Height: 188cm (6'3")
- Weight: 88kg (194 lbs)
- Blood Type: O

Date of Birth: October 9

Date of Birth: June 26

- Birthplace: Cuba
- Ultimate Moves: Blood Spray, Death Messenger
- Note: Is taken down and has his Surplice stolen while guarding the captured Knights.



EARTHLY INFERIOR STAR ELF MILLS

- Age: 22
- Height: 186cm (6'2")
 Blood Type: B
- Weight: 78kg (172 lbs)
 Birthplace: Ireland
- Ultimate Moves: Natural Terror, Earthquake Mixer
- Note: Another guard who is defeated and has his Surplice stolen.



EARTHLY RACING STAR GORGON OX

- Age: 23
- Height: 187cm (6'3")
- Weight: 81kg (178 lbs)
- Date of Birth: November 7
- Blood Type: A
- Birthplace: Denmark
- Ultimate Moves: Eye of Charge, Rock the Bay
- Note: Another unfortunate guard.



FOOT SOLDIER SKELETON MARQUINO

- Age: 19
- Height: 155cm (5'2")
 Blood Type: AB
- Weight: 51kg (112 lbs)
- Date of Birth: April 25
- Birthplace: Malaysia
- Ultimate Moves: Big Fart, Little Belch
- Note: Guide in the Hall of Judgment. Is killed by René for raising his voice in the Hall, where even the slightest whisper is forbidden.

It was a cold winter morning the day this series ended. I happened to look up at the sky as I was taking a walk in the park, and there above me was the white streak of an airplane contrail. The plane was no longer around, but its trail remained starkly visible against the blue sky.



FOREVER
IN THE BLUE
SKIES
INSIDE MY
HEART...

MASAMI KURUMADA It was the first time in a while that I'd been able to relax and gaze up at a blue sky, finally released from five long years of drawing *Knights of the Zodiac*.

My beloved pen, which inked in the last faces of Seiya and his friends, lies spent on my desk, covered in dust. Its shaft is cracked from being overworked time and time again; it cannot be used anymore.

But the legacy that pen left behind over the months and years will never die.

Even if *Knights of the Zodiac* someday fades from readers' memories, it will never disappear from the blue skies inside my heart for as long as I live.

Just like the contrail in that cold blue sky...

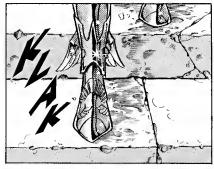
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Early spring













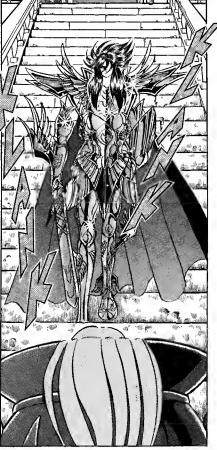


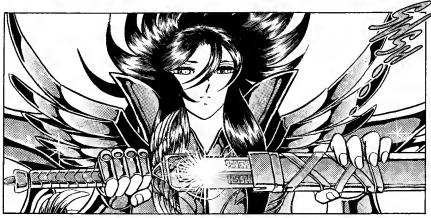














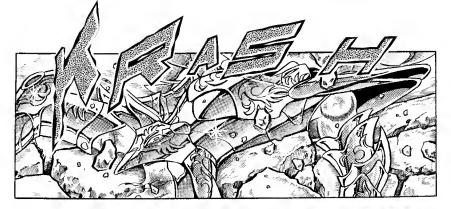










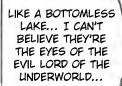






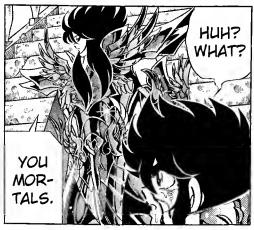








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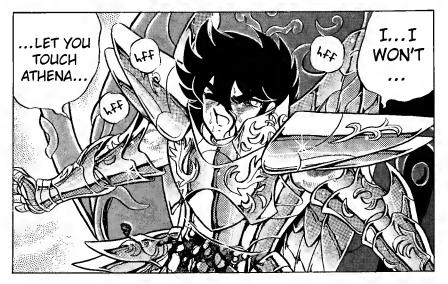












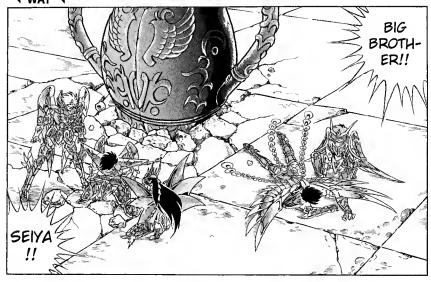








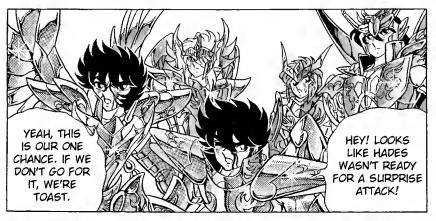




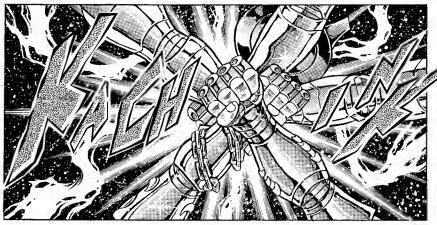


















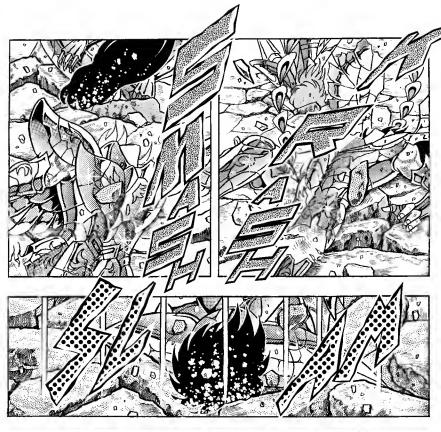


























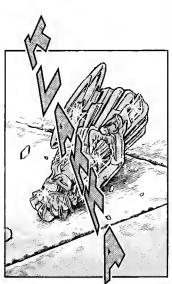














































































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IF LEFT TO
THEIR OWN
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DAMAGE
THEY'LL DO.



OF
COURSE
THEY ARE!
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